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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants herewith petition for a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action of January 13, 2006. The Office Action was mailed January 13, 2006 establishing the period for reply without additional fees up to and including July 13, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for the three (3) month extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a three (3) month extension of time be granted to extend the period for response to and including July 13, 2006.

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In the event that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office requires any additional fee to enter the Notice of Appeal, enter the Request for Continued Examination, or maintain the application as pending, please charge such fee to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

Respectfully submitted,

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